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SUBJECT: WELFARE-WHEREABOUTS: MICHAEL D. LEWIS

1. REQUEST IMMEDIATE STATUS REPORT ON SUBJECT BORN CHICAGO ILLINOIS DECEMBER 24, 1950. SEND VIA DIRECT RELAY AT NO CHARGE TO MRS. BARBARA LEWIS, 65 EAST SOUTHWATER STREET, SUITE 1802 CHICAGO ILLINOIS, TELEPHONE (312) 236-3362 AND MARKED INFO TO SCS.

2. MRS. LEWIS IS A DIRECTOR OF WELL AND FAVORABLY KNOWN ORGANIZATION EXPERIMENT IN INTERNATIONAL LIVING. SHE STATES THAT THREE TELEGRAMS SENT EMBASSY OVER PAST THREE WEEKS ASKING FOR COLLECT REPLY HAVE GONE UNANSWERED.

3. SUBJECT REPORTEDLY ARRESTED LAS PALMAS EARLY MARCH AND CHARGED WITH POSSESSION EIGHTEEN GRAMS MARIJUANA. WHEN

RELEASED ON OWN RECOGNIZANCE PENDING TRIAL, OFFICIALS KEPT

PASSPORT AND ALL HIS PRIVATE FUNDS ABOUT \$700 DOLLARS. THREE DAYS LATER HE WAS ARRESTED FOR VAGRANCY AT ARRECIFE ON ISLAND LANZAROTE WHERE HE IS STILL BEING HELD. HE WAS UNCLASSIFIED

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NOT REPEAT NOT ALLOWED RETURN TO LAS PALMAS FOR DRUG TRIAL

MARCH 26 WHERE HE WAS REPRESENTED BY LOCAL COUNSEL AND PARENT'S FRIEND FROM PARIS GERARD DAMAY. COURT SENTENCED SUBJECT TO FINE OF APPROXIMATELY 100 DOLLARS WHICH DAMAY PAID AND TO ABOUT THREE WEEKS IMPRISONMENT.

4. MOTHER BELIEVES PRESENT IMPRISONMENT AT ARRECIFE WILL SATISFY ABOVE JAIL SENTENCE BUT IS NOT SURE. AS FOR 700 DOLLARS SEIZED, COUNSEL ADVISED THIS SHOULD BE "FORGOTTEN" AS INSTITUTING CLAIM FOR REFUND WILL CAUSE DRUG CHARGE TO BE RAISED TO TRAFFICKING. MOTHER ALSO WANTS TO KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN SON IS RELEASED. WILL SPANISH AUTHORITIES USE THE 700 DOLLARS TO COVER TRAVEL OR MUST FURTHER FUNDS BE REMITTED AND TO WHOM. RUSH

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